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I think the proposed settlement is a terrible idea. It's become clear from the misinformed acts of the U.S. patent office and now the court system that the U.S. government is losing its handle on the realities of business and competition in the current digital world. It's too late to be proactive, but there's still a chance to fix our course.

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